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Applicant : Takashi Ishikawa et al
Title : ASBESTOS-FREE PRODUCT SINTERED FROM BUILDING MATERIAL
WASTES CONTAINING ASBESTOS AND METHOD OF PRODUCING
THE SAME
Serial No. : 09/878,317
Filed : June 12, 2001
Group Art Unit : 1731
Examiner :

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 13, 2003

RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of April 22, 2003, the applicant elects claims 4 and 5, drawn to porous ceramic. Please examine the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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